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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
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HECLA MINING COMPANY  
6500 MINERAL DR - STE 200  
COEUR D'ALENE ID 83815-9408

ATTENTION: CHRIS GYPTON

## ANNUAL PERMIT FEE

Annual Permit Fees (July 2005 thru June 2006)

PROJECT NAME	PROJECT ID	ACRES	BILLING DATE
ESCALANTE SILVER MINE	M210004	108	06/28/2005
PERMIT TYPE	PROJECT STATUS		ANNUAL FEE
LARGE MINING OPERATION > 50 ACRES	INACTIVE		\$1,000

DUE DATE	AMOUNT DUE
07/29/2005	\$1,000

**Please see enclosed instructions for payment.**

*Please retain this portion for your records. For billing information call (801) 538-5291*

**This portion MUST be returned with your payment to ensure proper credit. THANK YOU**

ACCOUNT BILLED	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT ID
HECLA MINING COMPANY	ESCALANTE SILVER MINE	M210004
DUE DATE	ANNUAL FEE	AMOUNT DUE
07/29/2005	\$1,000	\$1,000
TAX ID OR SOCIAL SECURITY #		
<input type="checkbox"/> FEE NOT ENCLOSED		
Permittee requests an inspection to close out this permit.		
Change of Address		
Contact		
Address		
E-Mail Address		
State Zip		
Phone		

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Please make check payable to:  
**Division of Oil, Gas and Mining**

## Instructions for Payment of Fees

June 28, 2005

1. **Collection of Permit Fees**

The Utah Legislature authorized the collection of permit fees in the Minerals Program July 1, 1998. The fees provide supplemental funding for processing and maintaining mining and exploration permit applications and inspection of those sites.

Please note: Some companies/operators may receive more than one billing form (i.e. multiple mines/projects).  
It is important to return each one of those forms to ensure proper credit.

2. **Fees Are Assessed as Follows:**

<u>Notices of Intent</u>	<u>Annual Fee</u>
Exploration Operations	\$150.00
Small Mining Operations (5 or less disturbed acres)	\$150.00
Large Mining Operations (less than 50 disturbed acres*)	\$500.00
Large Mining Operations (more than 50 disturbed acres*)	\$1,000.00

3. **Fees Due Date**

Fees are due by the last Friday in July, for all permitted operations or applications presently under Division review. Fees will also be due upon submission of a new permit application or a permit amendment/revision which increases the acreage to a new fee category.

4. **Failure to Pay**

Failure to pay the required permit fee will **automatically suspend an operator's authorization to mine or explore (site reclamation is still required by the operator)**. Permit revocation and an Order to reclaim the site may subsequently be required by the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining after Notice and Hearing. New permit applications require fee enclosure with the application, before it will be processed

5. **Opportunity to Close Out a Permit**

Permittees have the opportunity to close out a permit and not pay the fee. To be eligible to close out a permit, you must return the enclosed billing form with the appropriate box checked. You will then be contacted by the Division to arrange for an onsite inspection. The area must be fully reclaimed and in a stable condition to be eligible for closing out a permit. ***If the area is suitably reclaimed, then NO FEE WILL BE DUE.*** If the area is not yet suitably reclaimed, then a new billing notice will be issued and the permittee will be given 30 days from the date of the onsite inspection to pay the fee.

6. **Delinquent Fees**

All permit fees which remain unpaid will be considered a violation of the Mined Land Reclamation Act and will be subject to enforcement action, which will carry penalties and fines.

7. **Change of Address**

Please note any address or telephone changes on the return form. (NOTE: An operator cannot be changed on this form. This must be accomplished through a formal Permit Transfer).

8. **Questions or Comments**

Please contact Daron Haddock at (801) 538-5325 or Joelle Burns at (801) 538-5291.

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